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## Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board 9535 E. Doubletree Ranch Road, Suite 100 Scottsdale, AZ 85258 Phone: 602-364-1PET(1738) ◆ Fax: 602-364-1039

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#### Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your request for an application and information regarding Arizona's veterinarian licensing and examination procedures. Licensure is available to graduates from a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) and to applicants who hold an Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates (ECFVG) certificate issued by the AVMA or a Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence (PAVE) certificate issued by the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB).

An applicant may apply for a Regular, Endorsement or Specialty License. For your convenience, the requirements for each category are listed separately in this packet. A brief explanation follows:

- Regular License: The applicant is a graduate from a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the AVMA, or holds a certificate of completion issued by the ECFVG or PAVE. The applicant must have passed the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE) examination with a score of at least 425 (75%) within 5 years of application for state examination and licensure. For further requirements and instructions, please see the page titled, "Instructions for Completing the Application Process: Application for Regular License."
- Endorsement License: The applicant is a graduate from a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the AVMA, or holds a certificate of completion issued by ECFVG or PAVE and has not taken the NAVLE within the past 5 years. The applicant is currently licensed as a practicing veterinarian in another state. For further requirements and instructions, please see the page titled, "Instructions for Completing the Application Process: Application for Licensure by Endorsement."
- Specialty License: The applicant is a graduate from a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the AVMA, or holds a certificate of completion issued by ECFVG or PAVE and holds a current certification as a diplomate of a national specialty board or college recognized by the AVMA. Passing the NAVLE prior to or after application is not required for this type of license. NOTE: The applicant's practice will be limited to the scope of the applicant's board certification. For further requirements and instructions, please see the page titled, "Instructions for Completing the Application Process: Application for Licensure as Specialty."

An applicant who meets the criteria for one of the licensing categories and who wants to practice veterinary medicine while awaiting the next scheduled state examination may apply for a temporary permit. For further instructions, please see Instructions for Completing the Application Process: Temporary Permit."

NAVLE ONLY: An applicant who is a current student in the last year of a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the AVMA or a graduate of a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the AVMA or who is enrolled in the ECFVG or PAVE program may apply to take the NAVLE examination given twice a year. To apply to take the NAVLE and for further requirements and instructions, please visit www.nbvme.org.

When completing the Statement of Citizenship, please note that if the name on your application has changed from the name on the proof of citizenship you are submitting, you must also submit a copy of the document that legally defines the change.

An individual with a disability, who, as a result of the disability, requires this application to be in an alternative format, may contact the Board's Americans with Disability coordinator at (602) 364-1738, or Voice Relay Service (800) 842-4681 or TTY at (800) 367-8939 to make their needs known.

For your convenience, in applying for the Arizona State Examination and licensure, please follow the application process on the appropriate instruction page as indicated above. If you have questions regarding the application process, please call our Licensing Administrator (602) 542-8166.

Sincerely,

Victoria Whitmore

Victoria Whitmore **Executive Director** 

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION PROCESS

#### APPLICATION FOR REGULAR LICENSE

The following must be submitted:

- 1. Properly completed and notarized application.
- 2. A non-refundable fee of \$400. **Must be a money order, certified check or cashier's check payable** in US funds only to: AZVMEB.
- 3. A passport type photo of the applicant (no larger than 1½" x 2" in size) taken within the preceding 6 months.
- 4. Official transcript sent directly to this Board by the AVMA accredited veterinary college from which the applicant graduated. The transcript must show graduation date and degree earned.
  - Figure 12 If applicant is a *graduating student* at the time of application, a letter from the dean of the veterinary program must be sent directly to this Board stating projected graduation date and good standing. Graduation date must be within 45 days following the exam.
  - > If applicant is a <u>recent graduate</u> at the time of application, a copy of the diploma is acceptable until transcript is available.
  - ➤ If applicant is a *foreign graduate*, submit directly to this Board a copy of the ECFVG Certificate of Completion issued by the AVMA or a copy of the PAVE Certificate of Completion issued by the AAVSB.
- 5. A typewritten letter or current résumé summarizing experience and qualifications.
- 6. <u>MORAL CHARACTER REFERENCE FORM FORM INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET</u>: Three completed forms of moral character reference from persons not related to applicant and who have known applicant a minimum of three (3) years.
- 7. NAVLE scores received within the preceding 5 calendar years of application for examination and licensure. The scores must be submitted directly to this Board from the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB). Contact the AAVSB at (816) 931-1504 or toll free at (877) 689-8482.
- 8. If applicant is or was a licensed veterinarian in another state.
  - > VERIFICATION OF LICENSURE FORM INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET: Each state or territory of the United States must send directly to this Board a verification of licensure to include current standing and status of any current investigation or discipline received for violation of a veterinary medical practice act. Applicant is responsible to request verification of licensure from each state or territory, where currently or previously licensed. Each state's process may differ, and a fee may be assessed. Response time can vary up to six (6) weeks to process.
  - MORAL CHARACTER LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FORM INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET: A letter to be sent directly to this Board from a veterinarian or colleague indicating applicant's professional qualifications and character. Cannot be from one of the three (3) individuals who submit the Moral Character Reference Form. Must be four (4) separate individuals. The form may be used or the author of the letter may use his or her own letterhead.
- 9. Arizona Statement of Citizenship and Alien Status for State Public Benefits Form and instructions for supporting documentation of citizenship included in this packet. Attach the applicable copy of proof of citizenship.
  - A. In addition to proof of citizenship documentation, a government issued photo I.D. is required, if proof of citizenship submitted in the form of a birth certificate. If proof of citizenship is in the form of a document containing a photo, i.e. passport, permanent resident card, etc., an additional photo I.D. is not required.
- 10. To apply for a Temporary Permit, please see "Instructions and Forms for Temporary Permit".

## **EXAMINATION DATES AND DEADLINES**

# <u>IT IS RECOMMENDED YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION AT LEAST 1-2 WEEKS PRIOR TO</u> DEADLINE IN ORDER TO ENSURE COMPLETION BY THAT DEADLINE

## Per R3-11-201: Application for a Veterinary Medical License:

➤ If you have passed the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE) and are required to take *only* the State Examination, submit your application no later than 30 days before the date you intend to take the State Examination (see available dates below)

## **State Veterinarian Examination Dates and Application Deadlines**

<b>Exam</b>	<b>Application Deadline</b>
10/11/2013	09/11/2013
11/08/2013	10/09/2013
12/13/2013	11/13/2013
01/10/2014	12/11/2013
02/14/2014	01/15/2014
03/14/2014	02/12/2014
04/11/2014	03/12/2014
05/09/2014	04/09/2014

EXAMPLE: The deadline for Requesting a Temporary Permit: If you need a temporary permit for September 1st, you would need to have your application complete 30 days prior to the exam and temporary documents to our office no later than one week prior to the Board meeting in August.



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### APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE TO PRACTICE VETERINARY MEDICINE AND SURGERY

All fees are non-refundable and are to be submitted by money order or cashier's check payable in U.S. dollars.

#### **Alternative Format for Submitting Application**

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Board for licensure in the State filing of this application grants States or another country; and Board and that I acknowledge	of Arizona by examination pauthority to the Board to obtathat I shall make an oath as that any falsification in my ap	application to the Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining pursuant to A.R.S. Article 2: Licensing, et.seq. I understand the ain information from any licensing agency or board in the United to the contents of my application and credentials submitted to the oplication to the Board is adequate cause by the Board to deny my of information to other licensing agencies and boards.
Select the license type you a	re applying for:	
Regular (\$400)		Please indicate exam Month?
Endorsement (\$750)		Are you requesting a Temporary Permit: Yes No
Specialty (\$750)		
Special (\$5 even number	red year/ \$10 odd numbered y	year)
Section 1:	PERSONAL I	NFORMATION
Name:		Maiden Name:
Mailing Address:		Street
City Home Phone: ()	County	State Zip Fax Number ()
SSN:	_ Date of Birth:	<b>Gender:</b> Female Male
Are you a US Citizen? Yes	No If no, what is yo	our country of citizenship?
Email Address:		
How do you prefer your na	me to read on your wall li	icense?

Section 2:			Education	on		
	e(s) of University		te(s) of indance		Graduation Graduation	Diploma(s) or Degree(s) Earned or to be Earned
Section 3:		CURRENT	EMPLOY	MENT INFO	<b>DRMATION</b>	
Business Name:						
Business Address:	Stre	et		City	Sta	ite Zip
Phone Number: (_	)					
Section 4:			Employ			
chronological order	r. If necessa		n additional			rs, please list employment in
Name of Emp	<u>oloyer</u>		Address		<u>Position</u>	Dates of Employment
Section 5:	Licenses	s: List all states	s in which :	you are or eve	r have been li	censed.
<u>State</u>	Licer	<u>ise Number</u>		e License ranted	<u>D</u> Active/Ina	Date(s) and Status ctive/Probation/ Revoked, etc.
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Se	ction 6: You are required to answer all of the following questions. You may use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.		
1.	Have you taken the NAVLE?  If so, please give the date and the state through which examination was taken.  Name of State: Date Taken:  NOTE: If you have taken the NAVLE, your score must be sent directly to this Board by AAVSB.  NOT REQUIRED, for application by Licensure by Endorsement or Specialty.	Yes	No
2.	Have you ever been charged with, convicted of or pled nolo contendere to a criminal minor traffic violation, in any state or federal court? <b>If yes,</b> give a full explanation on a sea and submit a certified copy of Record of Conviction and Record of Disposition. You must you received a pardon, the conviction was set aside, the records were expunged, your and/or whether or not sentence was imposed or suspended.	eparate sh st answei	eet of paper "yes" even
	Date of Occurrence(s)	Yes	No
3.	Have you ever been denied a license by any state, or denied the privilege of taking a state any State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners? If yes, please explain:	e examin Yes	No
4.	Has any license to practice veterinary medicine and surgery issued to you been revoked or If yes, please explain:	suspende <b>Yes</b>	d? <b>No</b>
5.	Has any license to practice veterinary medicine and surgery issued to you been placed of you ever been fined, censored, or charged with a violation of the veterinary practice act in If yes, please explain:		
Se	ction 7: Foreign Graduates		
1.	Are you currently enrolled in either the ECFVG or PAVE program?  If Yes, Indicate Program: ECFVG PAVE	Yes	No
	NOTE: If enrolled, a letter verifying your enrollment must be sent to this Board directly from AAVS	SB or AVM	A.
2.	Have you received a certificate of completion from the ECFVG program or the PAVE program? If yes, please include a copy of the Certificate of Completion with this application.	Yes	No
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**Section 6:** 

## **Affidavit of Applicant**

first duly sworn upon his or her oath deposes and sapplication. I have read and understand the content application is true and correct to the best of my adeceit or misrepresentation. I hereby authorize any professional association to release any informati application and state that a photocopy of this authorize the Arizona State Veterinary Medicinformation submitted by me, upon request, to the person when such request is required or permitted falsification in my application is cause to deny my application interview that is conducted of me in reg	at of this application ibility and the information to the State of corization shall have cal Examining Boare public or to any by Arizona Revised application. I auto-	on. The information contained in the formation submitted is without fraud employer, past or present business of Arizona in connection with my we the same effect as the original. For its successor, to release any licensing agency, or to any other ed Statutes. I acknowledge that any thorize the Board to tape record any
Signature of Applicant:		Date:
Subscribed and sworn to before me this	day of	, 20
STATE OF)		
COUNTY OF)		
	No	otary Public Signature
	My Notar	ry Commission Expires on
Seal:		



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## **MORAL CHARACTER REFERENCE FORM**

The following applicant will be applying to the State of Arizona for licensure as a veterinarian. We request that you furnish us with the requested information as listed below. Please answer the questions to the best of your knowledge and return this form to the applicant so that s/he may submit it with the application. Note: *This form is to be completed by persons not related to the applicant.* If necessary, you may use a second sheet of paper.

Maiden Nar	me:
olicant? (Must be a minimum of 3	years.)
his/her family related to you in any way?	□ Yes □ No
w the applicant (work, neighbor, etc)?	
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ant ever failed to be trustworthy in relation to	$\square$ Yes $\square$ No
ncident(s) in the life of the applicant at school, upon the character or fitness (moral or otherw ntained in this questionnaire or disclosed in you	vise) to perform professional our answers? $\square$ <b>Yes</b> $\square$ <b>No</b>
Phone:	
1 none.	
Date:	State Zip
rur	his/her family related to you in any way?  w the applicant (work, neighbor, etc)? ant ever been convicted of a felony, an undesignate ever failed to be trustworthy in relation to upon the character or fitness (moral or otherwintained in this questionnaire or disclosed in your phone:  Phone:



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# MORAL CHARACTER LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION FORM

Please provide your input regarding the moral character and professional qualification of the applicant. This form or business/personal letterhead stationary may be used. Veterinarian may use his or her own letterhead.

Name of Applicant:					
Dear Veterinary Medical Exa	nmining Board:				
Signature of Veterinarian:			Phone:	Date:	
Print Veterinarian Name: _					
Address:	(Please Print Clearly)				
Street		City		State	Zip

## ARIZONA STATE VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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## **VERIFICATION OF LICENSURE**

APPLICANT AUTHORIZATION:		
Name:	License Numbe	r:
Address:		
Street	City	State Zip
I authorize the Veterinary Medical Board of	(State) to release the in	nformation below to the
Applicant's Signature		Date
BOARD VERIFICATION:		
Board Address:Street	City	State Zip
Board Phone:	Board Fax:	
Veterinarian's License Number:		
Date License Issued:	Expiration Date:	
Current License Status: (Active, Inactive, Lapsed, etc.)	):	
Disciplinary Action: No Yes		
Current Disciplinary Action: No Yes		
Pending Disciplinary Action: No Yes		
If "yes" to any disciplinary action, please attach a cer of Law, and Final Order, or the charges of a pending		of Fact, Conclusions
Name of Board Official:Please		
Signature of Board Official:	Print 	
Title of Board Official:	Date of Signatur	re

Official Board Seal:

# ARIZONA STATEMENT OF CITIZENSHIP OR ALIEN STATUS FOR STATE PUBLIC BENEFITS

Professional License and Commercial License Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board

Title IV of the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (the "Act"), 8 U.S.C. § 1621, provides that, with certain exceptions, only United States citizens, United States non-citizen nationals, non-exempt "qualified aliens" (and sometimes only particular categories of qualified aliens), nonimmigrants, and certain aliens paroled into the United States are eligible to receive state, or local public benefits. With certain exceptions, a professional license and commercial license issued by a State agency is a State public benefit.

Arizona Revised Statutes § 41-1080 requires, in general, that a person applying for a license must submit documentation to the license agency that satisfactorily demonstrates the applicant's presence in the United States is authorized under federal law.

Directions: All applicants must complete Sections I, II, and IV. Applicants who are not U.S. citizens or nationals must also complete Section III.

Submit this completed form and a copy of one or more document(s) from the attached "Evidence of U.S. Citizenship, U.S. National Status, or Alien Status" with your application for license or renewal. If the document you submit does not contain a photograph, you must also provide a government issued document that contains your photograph. You must submit supporting legal documentation (i.e. marriage certificate) if the name on your evidence is not the same as your current legal name.

SECTION I – APPLICANT INFORMATION			
APPLICANT'S NAME (Print or type)			
TYPE OF APPLICATION (Check one) ☐ INITIAL APPLICATION ☐ REAPPLICATION			
TYPE OF LICENSE/CERTIFICATION (Check one) □ DVM □ CVT			
SECTION II – CITIZENSHIP OR NATIONAL STATUS DECLARATION			
Are you a citizen or national of the United States? ☐ Yes ☐ No			
If <b>Yes</b> , indicate place of birth:			
City State (or equivalent) Country or Territory			
If you answered <b>Yes</b> , 1) Attach a legible copy of a document from List A (attached)			
Name of document  2) Go to Section IV.			
z) Go to Section IV.			
If you answered <b>No</b> , you must complete Section III and IV.			
SECTION III – ALIEN STATUS DECLARATION			
To be completed by applicants who are not citizens or nationals of the United States. Please indicate alien status by checking the appropriate box. Attach a legible copy of a document from List B (Attached) or other document as evidence of your status. Name of document provided			
Qualified Alien Status (8 U.S.C.§§ 1621(a)(1),-1641(b) and (c))			
☐ 1. An alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA)			

Ц	۷.	An alien who is granted asylum under Section 208 of the INA.
	3.	A refugee admitted to the United States under Section 207 of the INA.
	4.	An alien paroled into the United States for at least one year under Section 212(d)(5) of the INA.
	5.	An alien whose deportation is being withheld under Section 243(h) of the INA.
	6.	An alien granted conditional entry under Section 203(a)(7) of the INA as in effect prior to April 1, 1980.
	7.	An alien who is a Cuban/Haitian entrant.
	8.	An alien who has, or whose child or child's parent is a "battered alien" or an alien subject to extreme cruelty in the United States.
Nonim	migr	rant Status (8 U.S.C. § 1621(a)(2))
	9.	A nonimmigrant under the Immigration and Nationality Act [8 U.S.C § 1101 et seq.] Nonimmigrants are persons who have temporary status for a specific purpose. See 8 U.S.C § 1101(a)(15).
Alien P	arol	ed into the United States For Less Than One Year (8 U.S.C. § 1621(a)(3))
	10	. An alien paroled into the United States for less than one year under Section 212(d)(5) of the INA
Other F	Pers	ons (8 U.S.C § 1621(c)(2)(A) and (C)
	11	. A nonimmigrant whose visa for entry is related to employment in the United States, or
	12	. A citizen of a freely associated state, if section 141 of the applicable compact of free association approved in Public Law 99-239 or 99-658 (or a successor provision) is in effect [Freely Associated States include the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau and the Federate States of Micronesia, 48 U.S.C. § 1901 et seq.];
	13	. A foreign national not physically present in the United States.
Otherw	ise	Lawfully Present
	14	A person not described in categories 1-13 who is otherwise lawfully present in the United States. PLEASE NOTE: The federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act may make persons who fall into this category ineligible for licensure. See 8 U.S.C. § 1621(a).
		SECTION IV - DECLARATION
All app	olica	ants must complete this section.
		under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Arizona that the answers and evidence I have rue and correct to the best of my knowledge.
		APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE TODAY'S DATE

### EVIDENCE OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP, U.S. NATIONAL STATUS, OR ALIEN STATUS

You must submit supporting legal documentation (i.e. marriage certificate) if the name on your evidence is not the same as your current legal name.

## Evidence showing authorized presence in the United State includes the following:

- 1. An Arizona driver license issued after 1996 or an Arizona non-operating identification license.
- 2. A driver license issued by a state that verifies lawful presence in the United States.
- 3. A birth certificate or delayed birth certificate showing birth in one of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico (on or after January 13, 1941), Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands (on or after January 17, 1917), American Samoa, or the Northern Mariana Islands (on or after November 4, 1986, Northern Mariana Islands local time)
- 4. A United States certificate of birth abroad.
- A United States passport. \*\*\*Passport must be signed\*\*\*
- 6. A foreign passport with a United States visa.
- 7. An I-94 form with a photograph.
- 8. A United States citizenship and immigration services employment authorization document or refugee travel document.
- 9. A United States certificate of naturalization.
- 10. A United States certificate of citizenship.
- 11. A tribal certificate of Indian blood.
- 12. A tribal or bureau of Indian affairs affidavit of birth.
- 13. Any other license that is issued by the federal government, any other state government, an agency of this state or a political subdivision of this state that requires proof of citizenship or lawful alien status before issuing the license.